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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above referenced application, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and to consider the following remarks.

Please cancel claims 20 and 21.

Presented below is new claim 22.

--22. The device of claim 16 wherein the core regions are filled with the core material using a deposition or re-flow technique.--

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